Based on the report of the Kargil Review Committee and Group of Ministers recommendations, review of the intelligence agencies has been carried out. Reorganization of Military Intelligence and the creation of the post of Director General, Defence Intelligence Agency as part of Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff have been effected. These refroms and also the closer interaction between intelligence agencies under the umbrella of National Security Council Secretariat have helped to coordinate intelligence between these agencies. The review of intelligence is a continuous and ongoing process keeping in view the threat perception.

Protection of strategic needs and national security

2786. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT:
SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Security Advisor (NSA) has expressed security concern in a note titled "India's concern regarding foreign acquisitions and suggested counter measures";

(b) if so, the outline of the concern; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to guard our strategic needs and national security from the adverse consequences of technology capture and dependence on foreign-based decision making?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (c) Security concerns about foreign investment in India have been raised in various quarters from time to time. These issues are constantly examined by the Government.

Health related relief in the aftermath of natural calamities

2787. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Disaster Management Authority has any plan to meet health related relief in the aftermath of natural and health related disasters;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is no plan or facilities with State Governments to put in place a proportionate health oriented response to disasters;

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to plan and put in place arrangements and systems to mobilize medical and para medical assistance and relief to meet the requirements of large scale disasters; and

(d) the details of any Response Plan in place?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) The National Disaster Management Authority has undertaken the task of preparation of guidelines to address the issues of medical preparedness and mass casuality management in the event of natural and man-made disasters.

(b) As per available information, some States have their own disaster management plans.

(c) The State Government have been advised to raise specialist response teams trained and equipped *inter alia* in medical first response. The guidelines of National Disaster Management Authority would also help the States in the preparation of their disaster management plans.

(d) Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has prepared an Emergency Support Function Plan, 2006 which relates to deployment of resources in the event of natural or man-made disasters. The plan identifies nodal officers for the purpose of coordination, crisis management committee, quick response teams at headquarters and field level. The plan also identifies the field officers, resource inventory for manpower, services, material & equipment and laboratory support.

Setting up of outposts/camps on the Indian-Bhutan Borders

2788. SHRI SILVIUS CONDPAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether Government propose to consider Defence strategy and internal security on Indo-Bhutan Border area and set up Military Out Posts/camps on regular basis at Samrang at the end of MANGALDAI-BHUTIACHANGSAMRANG road in Darrang-Udalguri District and at Suban-Khata at the end of TIHU-DOOMINI-SUBAN KHATA road in Barpeta District in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) has been deployed as the Border Guarding Force (BGF) on the India-Bhutan border on a